REPORT FOR THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

University Senate Committee: *Academic Policies Committee*

**Brief History of Issue**—why the issue is being considered  
*AS submitted by the Associate Deans Committee:*

There are two common situations where readmitted students would benefit from this change. The first involves students who choose to change their major when they are readmitted. Currently there is no way to ensure that these students consult with a department representative from their new major. The language change proposed above would mean that readmitted students, like all other students who change their major, would need to meet with a department representative prior to registering for classes. The second involves students who have been away from the University for a significant time. At present, these students often return to the University without reestablishing a connection to their home department. Requiring readmitted students to meet with an adviser would be a positive step towards ensuring that they receive appropriate guidance.

**Points Discussed by Committee:**

1. Students who have been out of school for a period of time, left in good standing, and have earned more than 60 credits, are not required to see their respective departmental advisor. They could register without a PAC code.
2. All COB students need a PAC code, regardless of credits earned.
3. Requiring a PAC for readmitted students would require students to contact a home department.

**Pros of Recommendation:**

1. Students get the advising they need to ensure timely graduation
2. Students connect with a home department

**Cons of Recommendation:** None

**Technology/Human Resource Impact:** None

**Committee Recommendation:**

Update the “Students must see an adviser at the following times” section on page 48 (of the 2014-2015 Undergraduate Catalog) by inserting a bullet stating that “All readmitted students, regardless of classification or academic standing, must consult with an adviser prior to registering. They will receive a Personal Advising Code (or PAC) at this time to register for classes.”
MOTION FOR THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

The Academic Policies Committee,

by a vote of _7_ in favor, _0_ against and 1 abstention on November 18, 2014

recommends that the “Students must see an adviser at the following times” section (page 48 of the 2014-2015 Undergraduate Catalog) be updated by inserting a bullet stating that “All readmitted students, regardless of classification or academic standing, must consult with an adviser prior to registering. They will receive a Personal Advising Code (or PAC) at this time to register for classes.”

Implementation Date: 2015-2016 Catalog

Signed: ______ Jean A. Pratt ______
Chair of the Committee

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